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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:
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For:
ANTI-LTNF FOR IN VITRO ASSAY
OF BIOLOGICAL TOXINS

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RESPONSE

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed December 18, 2000 (faxed and received on October 10, 2001) concerning the captioned application, kindly consider the following:

IN THE CLAIMS

Kindly enter the amendments to the claims shown below.

Please amend claim 7 to read as follows:

7. (thrice amended) A process as in claim 5 wherein the anti-LTNF and the toxin are brought together in a procedure wherein the anti-LTNF is in a fluid state and the toxin comprises a lethal toxin which is attached to a plate, to produce the product capable of being detected by